REGIONAL TECHNOLOGY AND INNOVATION HUBS

Creating high paying employment opportunities is an important goal for the Los Angeles County economy. This board is supportive of efforts to invest in a full-scale rail manufacturing hub as defined in H.R. 4521 (Johnson, D-TX) and S. 1260 (Schumer, D-NY). According to Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (Metro), this regional technology hub has the potential to create approximately 114,310 jobs directly and indirectly into Los Angeles County communities.

In October 2018, this Board of Supervisors passed a motion directing the Chief Executive Officer to work with Metro to identify a package of incentives to assist with the creation of a rolling stock manufacturing facility in Los Angeles County. This project has the potential to create a significant manufacturing hub in Los Angeles County. In December 2018, this Board passed another motion directing the County's legislative advocates to add this project to the State Legislative Agenda. In June 2021, this Board built off the previous two motions and directed advocates in Sacramento and Washington, D.C. to work with Metro advocates in coordinating a multi-year budget and legislative strategy that would assist the County and Metro in our joint efforts to site a rail manufacturing and testing facility within the County's geographic boundaries.

WE, THEREFORE, MOVE that the Board of Supervisors direct the Los Angeles County Washington, D.C. Advocates to support provisions in H.R. 4521 and S. 1260 that create a Regional Technology and Innovation Hubs and any similar bills that advance the same goal.

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